NONPROVISIONAL PATENT **APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL RULE §1.53(b)** IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title):

MISFIRE DETECTION SYSTEM FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION

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\boxtimes	<u>23</u> pa	ages of	Spe	cificatio	n/Claims	s 1- <u>20</u> //	Abstract	are	attache	d.
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Formal drawings (Figs. 1-11; 11 sheets are attached.

A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.

An assignment of the invention to HONDA GIKEN KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.

An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and reference(s).

This application is entitled to Small Entity Status.

A Preliminary Amendment is attached.

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence -- This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No.

 \boxtimes Priority of foreign application No. 2000-387040 filed December 20, 2000 in Japan and 2001-317676 filed October 16, 2001 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

 \boxtimes Certified copies of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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BASIC FEE				Ý
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INDEP CLAIMS 4 - 3 = 1				
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RATE	FEE	<u>OR</u>
	\$ 370	<u>OR</u>
x 9 =	\$	<u>OR</u>
x 42 =	\$	<u>OR</u>
+140 =	\$	<u>OR</u>
TOTAL	\$	<u>OR</u>

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	\$ 740
x 18	\$
x 84	\$ 84
+280	\$
TOTAL	\$ 824

A check in the amount of \$864.00 (\$824.00 for the filing fee and 40.00 for the Assignment Recordation Fee) is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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